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### **STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE #2**

**(Governance of Economic and Legal Systems Improved)**



**EFFORTS AGAINST TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS:** The Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA), in a conference on anti-human trafficking, recently recognized the participation of leading shipping company SuperFerry on the fight against the worldwide challenge of purging trafficking in persons. The DFA event was graced by USAID Administrator Andrew Natsios and US Ambassador Francis Ricciardone among others. SuperFerry, which is the first from the private sector that ever partnered with the NGO Visayan Forum Foundation (VF) and Philippine Ports Authority (PPA) on the fight against child trafficking, joined other international organizations in expressing their support against the worldwide problem of trafficking in persons during the annual World Day Against Child Labor (WDACL) forum sponsored by the International Labor Organization (ILO) in Geneva, Switzerland. SuperFerry also recently received an award for its efforts against child trafficking, given by Child Workers in Asia, the PPA and VF. Shown in photo are (from left) US Ambassador Francis Ricciardone shaking hands with SuperFerry CEO Ava Engel, while Aboitiz PR & corporate communications manager Gina Virtusio looks on.

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